# Ecclesiastes Word to the Wise

Community Group Discussion: 10.20 - 11.24

# SERIES OVERVIEW

What matters in the end? What are we doing every day? Does it have any meaning or significance? What does God say is meaningful and significant?

"If we find in ourselves a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that we were made for another world." — C. S. Lewis

#### **MAIN TEXT**

Ecclesiastes 7 and 8

### **GETTING STARTED**

When is it okay to put up a Christmas tree?

#### **DIGGING DEEPER**

- 1. Do you tend to think of Christianity as more pertinent for this life or for after your death?
- 2. Read Ecclesiastes 7:1-4. Has God used grief or sadness to lead you closer to him? If so, how? If not, how might he be redeeming your pain to experience his character and faithfulness?
- 3. Read Ecclesiastes 7:8. Solomon says finishing a thing is better than beginning a thing. How have you experienced this truth in your life. What in your life now are you tempted to be passive or give up on? Why should you see it through?
- 4. Read Ecclesiastes 7:14. How good are you at having fun, enjoying life, and not being serious all the time?
- 5. In what area of your life do you need more wisdom right now? Who can you ask to help you? Who can you come alongside and offer wisdom right now?

# **NEXT STEPS**

What is God saying to you through His word? How and when will you respond?

# **WEEKLY BIBLE READING**

Day One: Ecclesiastes 7:1-14

Day Two: Ecclesiastes 7:15-29

Day Three: Ecclesiastes 8:1-9

Day Four: Ecclesiastes 8:10-13

Day Five: Ecclesiastes 8:14-17

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